



# Ark Swift Primary Academy

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## Friday 24 February 2017

**Hull class assembly is on  
Monday 27 February at 3pm**

**A Message from the Principal  
Jason Marantz**

Dear Parents and Carers

I write to thank you for helping us change the start of the school day. It is much calmer now. Children go straight into class and start learning immediately. They behave beautifully when they go into their classes independently and it just makes the day smoother and better for all.

**Please remember to not arrive at school until 8:40am, as that is when the gates now open. Do not leave your child unattended until they are in school.**

Have a great weekend  
Mr Marantz  
Principal

## ATTENDANCE NEWS

Winners of this week's attendance awards were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: **Oxford – Year 2** 99.4%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place: **Hull – Year 5** 98.9%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place: **Goldsmiths - Year 3** 97%

**Our whole school attendance for this week was:**

**92.9%**

Our attendance for the year to date is **94.8%** and our target for this year is **96%**, so we need to keep working towards this. Please send your children to school, **every day and on time.**

**Remember,  
good attendance is linked to good progress.**

## Our morning procedures have changed...

Before half term, we explained in our newsletter that our morning opening procedures have changed and that from now on, the gates will open at 8:40, children will go straight into class, and the gates will close again at 8:55.

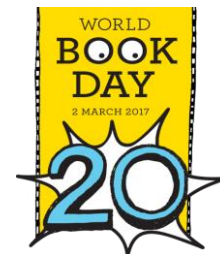


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| 8.40 | Gates open<br>Children go straight in to class   |
| 8.55 | Gates close<br>Anyone arriving after this goes in through the front door where the office is |
| 9.00 | Register closes<br>Anyone arriving after this is marked 'Late'                               |

# Word Book Day activities art Ark Swift

*Activities will be held on Book Day itself and the days on either side.*



## Wednesday 1 March 2017

**Graffiti Walls** - All around the school there will be different book-related graffiti walls and children to share their favourite characters and books.

**Library Read-a-thon** - All pupils will help Swift read in the library non-stop over the whole school day.

## Thursday 2 March 2017- World Book Day

**Dress up day** - Dress up as your favourite fictional character! Pay £1 to raise money for Book Aid, a charity supplying books to those who won't otherwise have them.

**Book quizzes** – Children will be placed into small mixed-age teams and will get to participate in an amazing book quiz.

## Friday 3 March 2017- World Book Day

**Special assembly** – Our assembly will have a book related theme and will celebrate what we did during the week.

## Changes to Lunch times – Now in affect

Just a reminder that we have made some changes to our lunchtime arrangements so that lunch runs as smoothly as possible. As part of this, we will be changing to a system of storing lunchboxes in the dining rooms rather than in the classroom.

This means that children who bring a packed lunch to school will need to bring their food in a **named bag or box** that can be safely stored on a lunchbox trolley.

**If your child eats a packed lunch, please ensure that your child brings their lunch in a named bag or box.**

**Please send in lunch boxes at the beginning of the day.**



## Dates for your diary

27<sup>th</sup> February, 3pm

6<sup>th</sup> March, 3pm

**2<sup>nd</sup> March**

13<sup>th</sup> March, 3pm

**17<sup>th</sup> March**

20<sup>th</sup> March, 3pm

29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> March 3-6pm

**31<sup>st</sup> March**

Hull Class Assembly

Portsmouth Class Assembly

**World Book Day – Dress up as your favourite character**

St Andrews Class Assembly

**NO SCHOOL – Staff Training Day**

Goldsmiths Class Assembly

Parents' Evenings

**Last Day of Term**



**Parents of children participating in class assemblies are invited to come and watch.**